DEVIZES AREA BOARD23 November 2009

DEVIZES COMMUNITY AREA PARTNERSHIP FUNDING 2009/10

1. Purpose of the Report

To ask the Devizes Area Board to consider the release of the remaining allocation of funding to Devizes Community Area Partnership of £7,787.

2. Background

At the beginning of the year the Implementation Executive (IE) approved the release of funding for the Community Area Partnerships. In accordance with that agreement, Devizes Community Area Partnership has received 1/3 of its annual requirement from the Board budget. The IE made clear that the remaining payment (up to a maximum of 20% of the Area Board budget) may be claimed from the Board as required later in the year.

3. Main Considerations

In accordance with this arrangement the Board is requested to approve the release of the remaining funding of £7,787 (representing the remaining 2/3 of the funding requested). In committing the Council to support the local Community Area Partnerships in 2010/2011, the IE agreed that future funding was to be more closely linked to the agreed outcomes and commitments in the Community Area Partnership Agreement. All funding released by the Council so far has been subject to acceptance of the CAPA by each Partnership.

It should be noted that the Council's support for the Community Area Partnerships and for the Wiltshire Forum of Community Area Partnership was considered at the Community Leadership and Governance Steering Group in September and it was agree to review support and funding arrangements ahead of April 2010. This may result in some changes in the funding arrangements next year. In view of the impending review and the IE's commitment, it is suggested that the release of the remaining grant to the CAP be made subject to the following conditions:

Condition:

that before 1st April 2010 the Community Area Partnership should set out a plan to show how it is working to achieve the objectives and commitments of the Community Area Partnership Agreement, its progress in producing a community plan for the area and a breakdown of its anticipated operating costs for 2010/11.

4. <u>Environmental Impact of the Proposals</u>

There are no environmental impacts.

5. Financial Implications

The Devizes Area Board's full budget for 2009/10 is £43,588. This is 75% of its full allocation due to the area boards not being up and running until the 2nd quarter of the year.

The Implementation Executive agreed that partnerships would still be entitled to 20% of their full annual allocation. The amount available to Devizes Community Area Partnership is £11,623.

Devizes Community Area Partnership has already received £3,836 of its annual allocation.

Devizes Community Area Partnership wishes to claim the remainder of its allocation which is £7,787.

6. Legal Implications

There are no legal implications.

7. HR Implications

There are no HR implications.

8. **Equality and Diversity Implications**

There are no Equality and Diversity implications.

9. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Devizes Area Board agree to release the remainder of funding allocated to Devizes Community Area Partnership of £7,787.

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